

Customer Information Service

Please ask for: Sharon
County Offices FOI Reference: 6589213

Newland Email:

Lincoln customerinformationservice@icasework.lincolnshire.gov.uk

LN1 1YL Date: 26 April 2023

Dear Oliver Knowles

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request:

I'm interested in information about the councils looked after children aged below 16 who have been housed in unregulated accommodation. Please could you kindly answer these following questions.

- 1) On how many separate occasions over the past 12 months (March 2022 March 2023) have you needed to house any of your looked after children in (short term emergency) unregulated accommodation?
- 2) Referring to Question 1, how many separate children or young people (under the age of 16) did that relate to?
- 3) How many days in total were your children and young people (under the age of 16) housed in unregulated accommodation over the past 12 months (March 2022 March 2023)?
- 4) What was your total spend on support agencies over the past 12 months (March 2022 March 2023) to cover the support costs of supporting your children and young people (aged under 16) who were housed unregulated accommodation?

Response:

I can confirm that the information requested is held by Lincolnshire County Council. I have detailed below the information that is being released to you.

- 1) 7
- 2) 6
- 3) 167 days

4) No agency staff were used to care for any of the children.

Please quote the reference number 6589213 in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Lincolnshire County Council, Customer Information Service, County Offices, Newland, Lincoln, LN1 1YL

Or emailed to <u>customerinformationservice@icasework.lincolnshire.gov.uk</u>.

If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF Website: www.ico.org.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours faithfully

Sharon
Customer Information Advisor